

[0036] What is claimed is:

1. A method comprising:

cancelling detection of a rotation downward of a thumbwheel if detection of a depressible input movement of said thumbwheel occurs within a predetermined time threshold of detection of said rotation downward.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein said predetermined time threshold is approximately 100 milliseconds.

3. An article having stored thereon instructions, which when executed by a computing platform, result in:

cancelling detection of a rotation downward of a thumbwheel if detection of a depressible input movement of said thumbwheel occurs within a predetermined time threshold of detection of said rotation downward.

4. A mobile electronic device comprising:

a thumbwheel subassembly including a thumbwheel and a switch;

a housing having an opening through which said thumbwheel protrudes; and

a microprocessor inside said housing to compensate for inadvertent rolling of said thumbwheel down by a user while said user pushes said thumbwheel inwards.

5. The mobile electronic device of claim 4, wherein said microprocessor is to cancel detection of a rotation downward of said thumbwheel if detection of a depressible input movement of said thumbwheel occurs within a predetermined time threshold of detection of said rotation downward.

6. The mobile electronic device of claim 5, wherein said predetermined time threshold is approximately 100 milliseconds.

7. A mobile electronic device, comprising:

a flat display screen;

a thumbwheel subassembly including a thumbwheel and a switch; and

a housing having an opening through which said thumbwheel protrudes, wherein said thumbwheel subassembly is oriented so that a direction of depressible input movement of said thumbwheel, when projected onto a plane substantially parallel to a plane of said flat display screen, is substantially aligned with a direction of a push by a user's thumb or finger that includes a measurable component of downward force.

8. A mobile electronic device, comprising:

a flat display screen;

a thumbwheel subassembly including a thumbwheel and a switch; and

a housing having an opening through which said thumbwheel protrudes, wherein said thumbwheel subassembly is oriented so that a direction of depressible input movement of said thumbwheel, when projected onto a plane substantially parallel to a plane of said flat display screen, is at an angle in a range of approximately 2 degrees to approximately 10 degrees with respect to a direction from a first point on a side of said housing having said opening to a second point directly across from said first point on an opposite side of said housing.

9. The mobile electronic device of claim 8, wherein said angle is in a range of approximately 3 degrees to approximately 8 degrees.

10. The mobile electronic device of claim 8, wherein said angle is in a range of approximately 4 degrees to approximately 6 degrees.

11. The mobile electronic device of claim 8, wherein said angle is approximately 5 degrees.